

## Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Northeast Region Fox River System 2017 Bridge Operation Schedule

For the Village of Winneconne Main Street bridge the operating hours will be: **8:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight from April 20, to October 15, 2017.** The Winneconne bridge will be closed to masted navigation from 7:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in conjunction with the **Winnebago County Triathlon on August 27, 2017.**

In July of 2016 the US Coast Guard published a final rule for navigation on the Fox River from DePere to Oshkosh. This rule establishes the requirement for all draw bridges, except the Canadian National Bridge at 55.72 in Oshkosh, to open on signal between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and Midnight **from April 27 to October 7 every year going forward.**

This rule includes the four bridges in Oshkosh (Main Street, Oregon/Jackson Streets, Wisconsin Street and Congress Avenue) and **eliminates prior restricted operating hours** for the Oshkosh bridges with regard to conflicts with street traffic at certain time periods.

For the two bridges in Menasha (Racine and Tayco Streets), the operating hours will be: **8:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight beginning on April 27 and ending on October 7 each year.**

The following bridges will be secured to masted navigation in conjunction with the Oshkosh Marathon on **April 30, 2017:** The **Main Street Bridge** at Mile 55.97 over the Fox River from 06:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. **Wisconsin Street Bridge** at Mile 56.72 over the Fox River from 6:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. **Congress Avenue Bridge** at Mile 58.01 from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The following bridges will be secured to masted navigation in conjunction with the Ganther Race the Lake on **August 20, 2017:** **Main Street Bridge at Mile** (Oshkosh) 55.97 over the Fox River from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. **Racine Street Bridge at Mile** (Menasha) 37.91 over the Fox River from 6:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

During the off season, all operable bridges in the system can be opened if at least twelve (12) hours' notice is given prior to April 27 and after October 7 each year.

The following is a listing of telephone contacts for the issuance of 12 hour notices by mariners of requests for drawbridge openings during unscheduled operating hours:

City of Appleton, Drawbridge Operations, Municipal Service Building, 2625 E. Glendale Avenue, Appleton, WI 54911 (920) 832-5580 [Police (920) 832-5500]

City of Menasha, Director, Department of Public Works, 140 Main Street, Menasha, WI 54952 (920) 967-3610 [Police (920) 967-3500]

Winnebago County (Oshkosh and Winneconne Drawbridges), Bridge Operations Supervisor, Winnebago County, 901 W. County Road Y, Oshkosh, WI 54903 (920) 232-1700 [After 3:00 p.m. (920) 420-2146] Off Hours (920) 232-1715

Canadian National Railroad, Southern Region, Bridges and Structures, (906) 789-7168.

**Questions?** WisDOT Northeast Region Bridge Operations: Dale Weber, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Northeast Region, 944 Vanderperren Way, Green Bay, WI 54304, Call 920-366-6430.

**Attached is the schedule for the operating Locks on the Fox River Fox River Lock System.**